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Title : Method of Operating a Fuel Cell System

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.